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ABSTRACT

This document announces web sites that address adolescent reproductive and sexual health. The web sites are arranged alphabetically by name, and refer to the owner of the site rather than the title. The profile of each site consists of basic information such as the address of the organization or owner, fax number, telephone number, e-mail address, and the URL or address of the site. The web sites presented in this series have six functions: (1) to teach and provide materials that can be used for education and training; (2) to advocate and promote the cause and acceptance of adolescent reproductive and sexual health goals; (3) to provide substantive research findings and evidence for reference use in various activities; (4) to help shape policy and decisionmaking among policy makers and administrators; (5) to highlight experiences, best practices, and lessons learned for those who are interested in replicating similar programs or activities; and (6) to inspire adolescents to actively discuss, use information, and seek counseling and answers to their questions and problems with reproductive and sexual health as well as share information and experiences with others. (CCM)

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WEB LINKS FOR ADOLESCENT REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

Introduction

This is the first of a series of catalogues produced by the Regional Clearing House on Population Education and Communication, UNESCO, Bangkok, announcing websites dealing with adolescent reproductive and sexual health. Since the ICPD Programme of Action stressed the importance of promoting the reproductive and sexual health of adolescents, many organizations throughout the world have wasted no time in responding to this call for action. Many of these organizations adopted various forms of programmes, strategies and approaches to serve the needs of adolescents in this area. Fortunately, accessing such information from which one can learn valuable experiences and lessons is no longer that difficult due to their presence on the Internet.

Series One contains around 45 websites selected from among numerous sites on the Internet as of May 1999. In some of these websites, hundreds of links to other teen or youth websites also exist. However, not all of these links have been included in this analysis as many of them do not necessarily deal with issues of reproductive and sexual health. Almost 97 per cent of these are from the west and very few from Asia and the Pacific, calling for the need to expand websites or homepages by Asian organizations on adolescent reproductive and sexual health on the Internet.

The websites are arranged alphabetically by name, more often than not, referring to the owner of the site rather than its title. The profile of each site is first presented. This covers basic information such as address of the organization or owner, fax, telephone numbers, email address and the URL (uniform resource locator) or address of the site. However, not all of the sites carried information on all of the above items so that only those that are available are included in each site profile. Sometimes, you will see missing information on address or fax number or e-mail address. After the site profile, a short abstract describing the contents, the target audience and purpose of the site is provided.

Below is an analytical synthesis comparing the various websites featured in this series to enable the readers to obtain an over-all view in a convenient way.

Target audience

Majority of the websites are for the professionals, the policy-makers, legislators, and implementors (educators, health care workers, trainers) of adolescent reproductive and sexual health programmes. A growing number of sites are targetted to the adolescents themselves.

Objectives of websites

The websites covered in this series have five functions to perform: (i) to teach and provide materials that can be used for education and training; (ii) to advocate and promote the cause and acceptance of adolescent reproductive and sexual health goals; (iii) to provide substantive research findings and evidences for reference use in various activities; (iv) to help shape policy and decision making among policy makers and administrators; (v) to highlight experiences, best practices and lessons learned to those who are interested in replicating similar programmes or activities; and (vi) engage the adolescents to actively discuss, use information, seek counselling and answers to their questions and problems on adolescent reproductive and sexual health as well as share information and experiences with others.

Types of websites

Websites meant for teen-agers – these are mainly interactive, containing on-line chats, discussion groups, counselling, question-and-answer type, consultation, and a wealth of information and resources on sex, safe sex, anatomy, puberty, reproductive health, general health and hygiene, relationships, life skills, birth control, STDs, HIV/AIDS, pregnancy and abortion – presented in a manner that are easy for teenagers to understand. They include Q & A sections, articles, essays, newspapers, magazines, quizzes, charts and stories. Groups of friendly counselors and doctors give advice or on-line assistance by providing answers to questions coming from both the professionals and the youth themselves who ask questions on sexuality, facts of life (often called netline) STDs, birth controls, pregnancy, and abortion. One site provides a news service produced by children themselves on issues that affect their lives. It contains articles and essays on sexuality, gender and teen parenting and carries a teen talk forum. Another interactive site is Mezzo run by International Planned Parenthood Federation which is a youth service where issues about friendship, sexuality, contraception and sexual and reproductive health can be discussed by the youth on-line.

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Websites that document experiences, best practices or innovative strategies, and lessons learned – this type of websites are meant for policy planners, managers and implementors who are about to implement similar programmes or strategies or are already carrying out such activities and would like to learn from the successes or pitfalls of others. One such Asian-based website by the International Council on Management of Population Programmes describes projects and activities undertaken to improve adolescent reproductive health worldwide through detailed case studies. These case studies describe objectives, strategies used and outcomes of programmes in countries like Sri Lanka, Thailand, Malaysia, Bangladesh, China, Philippines, Indonesia and Viet Nam. Other websites describe projects involving communities, youth and youth-serving organizations adopting advocacy initiatives aimed at overcoming barriers so that adolescent reproductive health and school-based interventions addressing adolescent health can be implemented. Some highlight experiences in undertaking innovative strategies and approaches such as peer education approach, teen pregnancy prevention and safe sex programmes that deal with prevention of unprotected sexual intercourse, unwanted sex, unintended pregnancy, prevention of STD/HIV/AIDS, safe motherhood, delay of births and pregnancy, promotion of breast-feeding and good nutrition for boys and girls. They also deal with school-based reproductive and sex education programmes; preventative services for adolescents; and those employing training, advocacy, research, and IEC. Projects by World Health Organization make use of various innovative research methods in collecting data on sexual behaviours of teenagers. Other innovative strategies make use of social marketing and mass media to reach the youth with reproductive and sexual health messages. Youth initiatives and country statistics are found under the International Planned Parenthood Federation site which are organized by regions of the world. One important site compiles and highlights projects found to have worked well.

Websites that are advocacy-oriented – these are aimed at promoting public acceptance as well as obtaining support from policy makers and legislators of reproductive and sexual health programmes. One website provides articles and resources that could help in developing policies that promote teen health initiatives. Another website is meant for policy advocacy and contains information on adolescent reproductive rights dealing with female education, reproductive rights, early marriage, early childbearing, contraception, unsafe abortion, sexually transmitted diseases, sexual violence and genital mutilation. It provides recommendations to governments on how to ensure that these rights

are protected and implemented. Another site carries primarily policy-oriented papers that aim to convince policy-makers on the gravity of adolescent health problems and carries articles on teenagers' rights to consent to reproductive health care, risks and realities of early childbearing worldwide, teen pregnancy and welfare reform debate. The World Health Organization contains in its website policy and strategy papers such as those dealing with politics of adolescent pregnancy and public policy, premature adolescent pregnancy and parenthood as well as legislation and programmes to promote adolescent health. Likewise, the UNFPA website carries policy papers and programme guidelines for carrying out adolescent reproductive health projects and activities as well as press releases meant for mass media journalists.

Websites disseminating results of research and surveys – these provide "research-based and substantive information such as on the interventions that promoted improved access to information and services, in-depth pre-intervention participatory research concerning adolescent reproductive health needs; research studies investigating sexuality knowledge, attitude and behaviour of adolescents; and description of various research methods for collecting information on sexuality from adolescents. Other sites contain research findings and articles on formation of sexuality identity in adolescence, teen pregnancy, sexual crimes against adolescents and the like; provide a wealth of research projects and collection of essays by social and biomedical scientists dealing with adolescence in developing world, changing social environment for adolescents, effects of early childbearing on women's status, and evidences showing that school-based sexuality education programme does not necessarily lead to promiscuity among teenagers. One website runs a discussion forum which encourage students who have done research to post their results on the web.

Websites that provide educational, communication, and training resources – these are meant for educators, trainers, counsellors, parents, and health care providers to enable them to perform their work in education and training. These sites provide educational materials for discussion on sexuality and family life education, peer education approach and youth involvement; articles, guidelines, question-and-answer tips for parents so that they can give appropriate advice on how to deal with the various issues and problems that their children face with regard to their health. There are also sites for counsellors, educators and care givers meant to develop skills and techniques for counselling on adolescent reproductive and sexual health; for providing adolescent preventative services and managing health clinics and upgrading

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knowledge of professionals on STDs, AIDS, and use of contraceptive methods. One site offers a training manual which help girls and young women to examine issues and options in their lives. They are also rich in resources such as publications, pamphlets, posters, videos, books, training materials, fact sheets, wall charts; databases which deal not only with bibliographic information but full text of periodical and journal articles on sexuality education, family life education and population education, adolescents, adolescent pregnancy and fertility, and reproductive health.

Websites that offer journals and periodicals – these contain articles dealing with adolescent reproductive and sexual health. One example is the quarterly health bulletin on family planning and reproductive health, ***Network,*** published by Family Health International. One issue contains nine articles ranging from adolescent reproductive health concept, contraceptive methods for teenagers, how education and the media can promote adolescent health. Another site offers ***Teacher Talk*** newsletter where teacher gives their suggestions and comments on a variety of subjects on adolescent health issues. ***Adolescence Education newsletter*** contains news and events at the international, regional and country level, research findings and reports; articles on trends and developments and best practices; programme and project descriptions and websites and publications dealing with all aspects of adolescent reproductive and sexual health.

There are also websites that serve as clearing house, providing links to hundreds of other websites which deal with all aspects of adolescent reproductive and sexual health such as teen abortion, contraception, HIV/AIDS, STDs, teen life and provide electronic guide to sites dealing with conflict and violence, mental health issues, health and health risks, pregnancy and sexuality, and discussion forums. Most of these sites are from North America.

It is hoped that this first of a series of catalogues on websites on adolescent reproductive and sexual health will find concrete use in carrying out various activities and programmes by both individuals and organizations engaged in the same work.

For further information, please contact Regional Clearing House on Population Education and Communication, UNESCO PROAP, Darakarn Building, 920 Sukhumvit Rd., Bangkok 10110, Thailand.

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PROFILE AND ABSTRACTS OF WEBSITES

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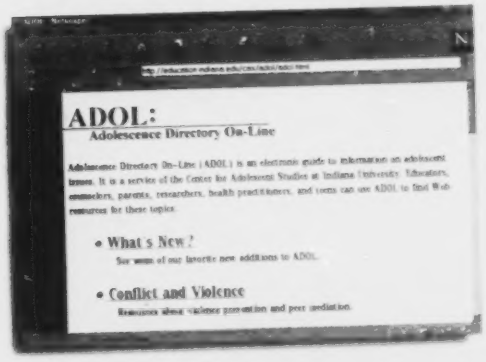

The Adolescence Directory On-Line (ADOL) is an electronic guide to information relating to adolescent issues available on the WWW such as those related to conflict and violence, mental health issues, health and health risk issues, counselor resources. It also provides links to teen information sites. The information presented at this site, which is provided by the Center for Adolescent Studies at the Indiana University, is clear and easy to understand intended for educators, counselors, parents, researchers, health practitioners, and teenagers.

On health issues the site provides an extensive coverage of resources available such as:

- General sources of adolescent health information available from other sites. Information on pregnancy and sexuality issues abound especially dealing with facts and figures, on-line information about contraception/birth control, documentary on services available for young women and sources that provide counselor information about safe sex practices,
- Information on adolescent reproductive health research is limited and to find reading material one has to search extensively as the research papers are not grouped together but are associated with the various health issues they relate to,
- An enormous amount of Teens Only sites is listed and since the discussion forums are open to all subjects affecting teens an assumption can be made that sexual health and related issues would also be discussed. Each site is different in design, presentation and subject matter. Some are rather 'hip' in their language and content while others are for more serious discussions. The common thread among these sites is that they are there to assist the youth with their homework dealing with health, love and other life issues,
- Teacher Talk newsletter is another source of information on how adolescent health issues may be addressed in a classroom situation. Here teachers give their suggestions and comments on a huge variety of subjects and all these are available on-line.

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ADOLESCENCE: CHANGE AND CONTINUITY

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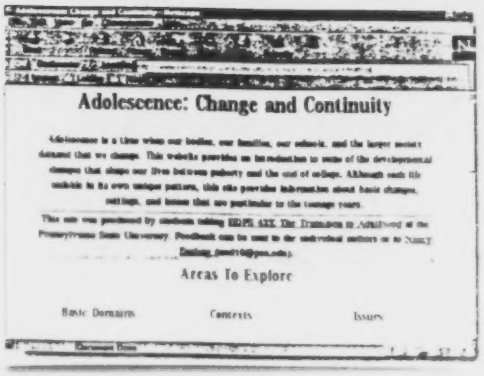

As a project for students from Pennsylvania State University, this site deals with issues related to transition from childhood to adulthood. The section on sexuality contains very well researched information and articles on the following:

- The formation of sexuality identity in adolescence, an article that talks about a child's development and the effect peer pressure and parents can have on them
- Teen pregnancy, an explorative article that talk about why, what happens after pregnancy and what can be done
- Sexually transmitted diseases, common symptoms, prevention methods and other sources of assistance
- Facts about kids, sex and STDs
- Coping with 'other' incurable STDs and contacts of help hotlines
- Lack of contraceptive information in sexual education programmes
- Sexual crimes against adolescents.

It will be interesting reading for other students who are seeking more information and/or help in these areas.

ADOLESCENT HEALTH ON-LINE (AHOL)

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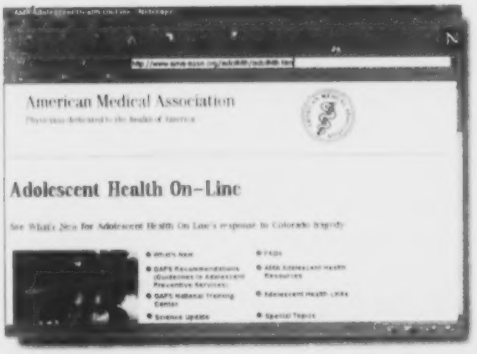

AHOL offers information about health topics that are useful for health care providers and researchers. It has Science Update that provides abstracts from recently published literature. Another section called LINKS serves as a clearinghouse for current resources related to health of adolescents. The AMA also has Guidelines for Adolescent Preventive Services (GAPS) Program that has a National Training Center where training for health care professional is available. On this site one has access to GAPS publications which range from clinical evaluation and management tools to parent packages. Availability of these materials, how to order and price details are also provided on site. Also available at this site is a list GAPS recommendations for physicians and other health professionals where details on the kind of health services that should be provided to adolescents can be found. In addition, it also offers guidance on what health conditions need careful screening, and immunizations that can be used to prevent selected infectious diseases.

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THE ADOLESCENT REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH NETWORK (ARHNe): Health System and Health Promotion Research in Eastern and Southern Africa

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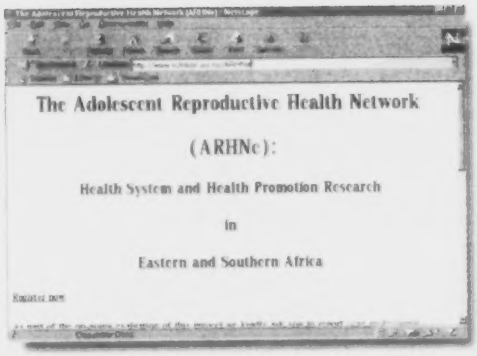

This site contains information of on-going research programmes and projects in Southern and Eastern Africa, and Europe that target adolescent reproductive health and their risk behaviours.

Explicit information on various projects that have been implemented is available such as the following:

- Adolescent sexuality and reproductive health – strategies for developing education and preventative services in Eastern and Southern Africa,
- Community-based health promotion among youth: a research and competence building programme in Sub-Saharan Africa,
- Adolescent health promotion and reproductive health in Tanzania.

It also provides listings of adolescent reproductive health literature – journals, books/book chapters/thesis/ dissertations, reports and other publications. This site is intended for researchers and project workers in adolescent health areas.

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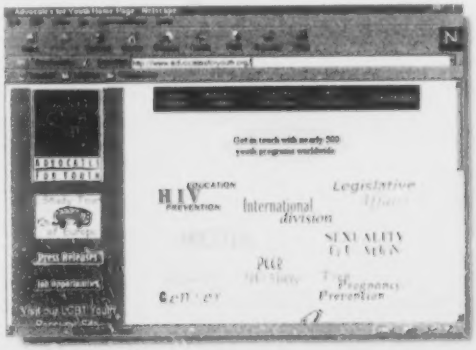

This website of the Advocates for Youth (AFY), formerly Center for Populations Options, is a mine of information on programmes and activities which help young people make informed and responsible decision about their sexual and reproductive health. It is geared towards a variety of users ranging from those seeking general information on youth; training materials for those working with the youth, to information and advocacy that could help in the development of policies.

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The site provides information under the following programmes:

- *HIV/AIDS Education and Prevention*; information on training materials and other technical support is available to youth-serving organizations,
- *Peer Education Program* creates and disseminates information promoting peer education and youth involvement in sexual health education programmes,
- *Teen Pregnancy Prevention* programmes provides very relevant and updated information on safe sex and contraceptive methods,
- International Division publishes *Passages*, a bi-annual newsletter available on-line in English, Spanish and French. This newsletter contains information from all over the world on activities that increase awareness, and implementation of projects that improve adolescent health. It also provides information on its innovative adolescent reproductive health programmes in Latin America and sub-Saharan Africa,
- *On-line Publications* that gives details of published materials on a very wide range of topics dealing with teen talk, services available, fact sheets, parenting, sex education, teen pregnancy prevention and policy issues.

The Legislative Affairs Division, the Support Center and the Media Project are departments that work alongside with other organizations to implement policies that promote effective teen health initiatives.

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This site has two sections with information directly related to adolescent reproductive health. The first is the Pregnancy and Birth section where one can find detailed statistics on the US by each state on Teen Pregnancy. It also contains the latest policy papers on "Teen Pregnancy and the Welfare Reform Debate" as well as "Teenagers' Right to Consent to Reproductive Health Care". The second section is found under Youth where once again the information given above is found together with additional policy papers such as "Contraception Counts: State-Specific Information" and "Risks and Realities of Early Childbearing Worldwide".

The information on this site will be useful to researchers' and policymakers as the statistics and the discussions available on adolescent issues are very thoroughly investigated and have the ability to influence policies.

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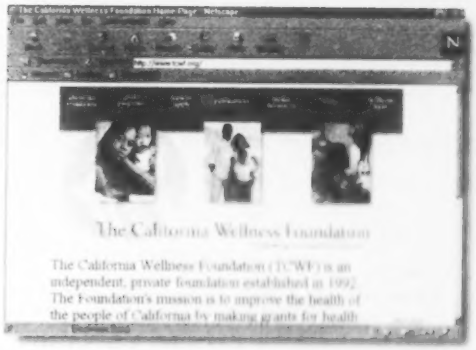
The California Wellness Foundation
The California Wellness Foundation (TCWF) is an independent, private foundation established in 1992. The Foundation's mission is to improve the health of the people of California by making grants for health

On this site information is available on what the TCWF is doing in the area of teenage pregnancy prevention. Their goal is to decrease the incidence of teen pregnancies by increasing the proportion of teens who delay the initiation of sexual activity and/or effectively use contraception.

Information on how the Californian community was involved in achieving this goal is given but there is no follow up information. Ideas on what should be done are discussed in broad terms; however how these were translated into actions is not revealed. This site is useful to those who are interested in projects undertaken in the prevention of teen pregnancy in California.

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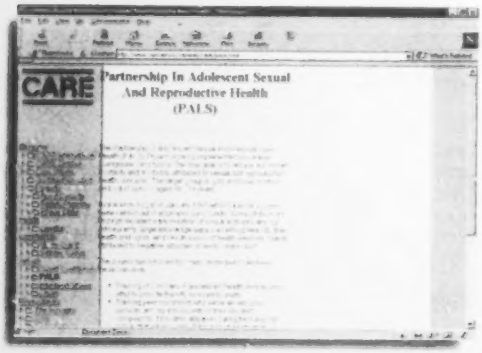

CARE International is a large non-profit development organization that works in over 50 countries worldwide. CARE has undertaken a Partnership In Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health (PALS) in Zambia and at this site details about this project is available. The long-term objective of this project is to reduce adolescent mortality and morbidity attributed to sexual and reproductive health concerns; and to address these the project aims to train clinicians and peer counselors on how to provide the necessary health assistance and to act as resource persons for the youth. Since reproductive health is not part of its regular programmes in Zambia, this project makes an interesting reading about how this project was conceived and implemented. This information will interest those who undertake project work in Africa and elsewhere.

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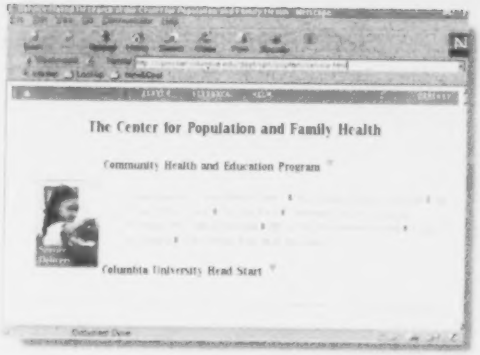

This site contains information on primary health care programmes and activities for women and adolescents. Specific programmes include community education programmes; school-based clinics, family planning programmes and the young adult and young men's clinics. It also contains a list of publications. This site makes interesting reading on how existing services such as community health centers and schools can be used to directly help adolescents improve their health and or have access to reliable information. A variety of people such as parents, social and health workers, teachers, trainers and even researchers can use it.

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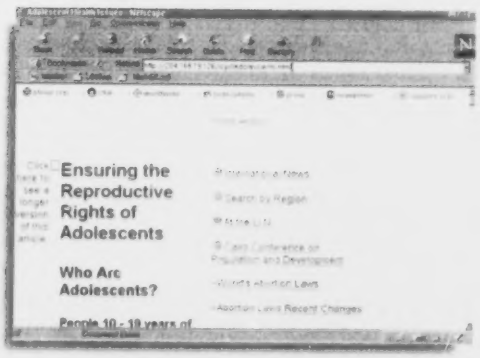

The CRLP is a non-profit legal and policy advocacy organization dedicated to promoting women's reproductive health rights. At this site comprehensive information is available on reproductive rights of adolescents. It also explains, with the use of facts and figures the policy documents of the 1994 International Conference on Population and Development.

The section on *Ensuring Reproductive Rights of Adolescents* is very informative as it contains the following information in concise format:

- it defines adolescence
- talks about reproductive rights
- gives brief insights into young female education, early marriage, early childbearing and contraception
- unsafe abortions

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- sexually transmitted diseases
- sexual violence
- female circumcision/female genital mutilation

The section on adolescent reproductive rights is the only site on the World Wide Web that explains in great detail these rights, provides recommendations to government on how to ensure that these rights are protected and implemented, and it also gives insight into best practices.

This site will be valuable to policy-makers and researchers because of the depth of the discussion and the legal issues they have.

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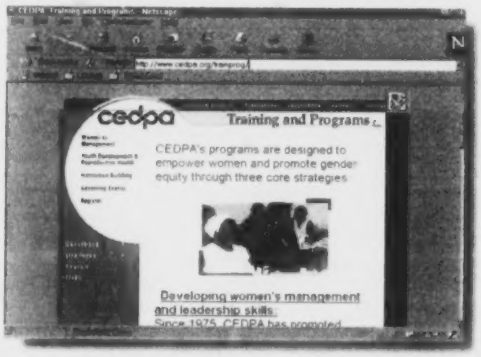
cedpa
Training and Programs
CEDPA's programs are designed to empower women and promote gender equity through three core strategies
Developing women's management and leadership skills

This site contains information about workshops and programmes that CEDPA offers. Although majority of activities is women focused, information on adolescent reproductive health projects undertaken in its partner NGO's and networks in 37 other countries is available. Basically the activities related to adolescent reproductive health include undertaking a needs analysis in the various countries and this information is passed on to local NGO's and others conducting pilot projects on how to reach and motivate the youth to protect their health.

It has also organized workshops for leaders in youth-serving organizations particularly those working in youth development and reproductive health. Details about workshops are available on-line. Although training manuals are mentioned, nothing is available in this section. This site may be used by leaders of youth-serving organizations, educators and trainers to obtain information on the workshops that CEDPA is organizing.

CHILDREN'S EXPRESS

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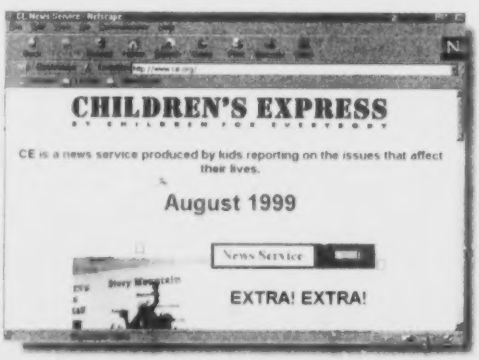
CHILDREN'S EXPRESS
CE is a news service produced by kids reporting on the issues that affect their lives.
August 1999
News Service
EXTRA! EXTRA!

Children's Express is a news service produced by children on issues that affect their lives. It was created about twenty years ago as a forum where children from diverse backgrounds could express themselves and discover the significance of their own and other youth opinions and perceptions. At this site is a section where all past stories are filed under Sexuality, Gender, and Teen Parenting. It contains

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stories contributed by children about their own experiences and is a valuable source dealing with issues that the youth are concerned about.

Examples of some articles are:

- Sex education – the European way, where young girls share their experiences in Europe,
- Talk to your kids about sex, another teenager expresses her concern about sex education,
- Teenage mothers at Arbor House.

Although the site is a 'teen talk' forum it can prove useful for those who are interested in youth reproductive health issues raised by the youth themselves.

DASH: DIVISION OF ADOLESCENT AND SCHOOL HEALTH

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National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion
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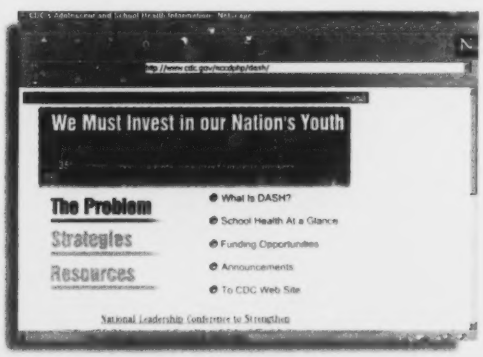

This is a very interesting site for those who are interested in facts and figures on adolescent health risks based in the Untied States. Here information that is available from the Division of Adolescent and School Health (DASH) is as follows:

- *Data Sources and Methods Section* where data on births, abortions, pregnancies, STDs and common trends in these areas are discussed and supported with an astonishing amount of statistics. Data collection methods used are also revealed to let the user decide on its reliability,
- *School Health Programs Section*, where the damaging behaviours are highlighted and reproductive health is just one of the many issues under the spotlight. This discusses the effectiveness of using school-based health education programmes, the current national initiatives under way and provides a list of other organizations funded by the CDC that work in school-based health education programmes.

The information on this site is as recent as 1999 and is regularly updated. Since all adolescent health risk problems are discussed together with reproductive health, this site will be useful to educators, researchers, and policy-makers as background knowledge. One will have to menu travel to access all the information mentioned above because they are split between the parent organization CDC and a divisional body DASH.

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At this site, under family focus, one will find a section on adolescent health. Here one will find an on-line compilation of more than 30 articles written to promote the well being of young people. Under Sexual Health topics information on the following is available:

- it is possible to say "No" to sex
- sexually transmitted diseases
- sexually transmitted infections
- facts about AIDS
- vaginal infections
- condoms
- Depo-Provera
- using Norplant

Copies of these publications can be ordered. This information would be useful to parents and teachers when trying to inform adolescents on the basic health risk issues.

FAMILY HEALTH INTERNATIONAL

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Family Health International (FHI) is primarily dedicated to helping women and men have access to family planning methods, prevent the spread of STDs and improve the health of women and children. Information at this site is available in English, French, Spanish and Russian.

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Its quarterly health bulletin on family planning and reproductive health, *Network*, published information related to adolescent reproductive health. The Spring 1997 issue Vol. 17 No. 3 is the most recent and elaborate information available on this topic and it contains nine articles ranging from an introduction to adolescent reproductive health, contraceptive methods available for the younger generation, to researched articles on how education and the media can play an effective role in improving reproductive health of young adults. Reproductive health publications and training materials are also available but mainly to cater to the adult reproductive health issues.

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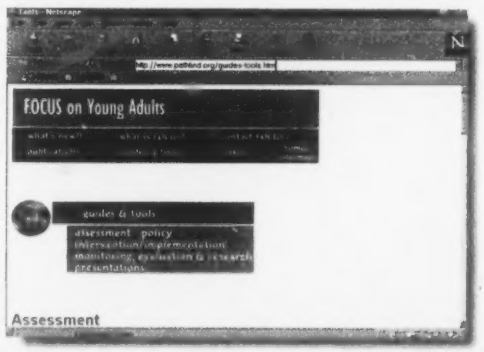

This site is dedicated to Adolescent Reproductive Health related programmes and activities undertaken in a limited number of countries worldwide. Topics include: information on prevention of unprotected sexual intercourse, prevention of unintended pregnancy, prevention of STD/HIV transmission, prevention of unwanted sex, safe motherhood, delay of next birth, delay of next pregnancy, promotion of breast-feeding, basic maternal care, good nutrition and anemia prevention and treatment for boys and girls.

Information on this site is intended to aid education programmes, policy making and implementation, and research.

It contains the following:

- an extensive bibliography of adolescent reproductive health training materials, a brief description of the content together with ordering details is available
- keys to developing youth-friendly adolescent reproductive health programmes
- information on trends and practices in promoting reproductive health for young adults through social marketing and mass media
- school based adolescent reproductive health programmes
- tools for monitoring, evaluating and researching of adolescent reproductive health programmes

This site has a lot of information for trainers and is updated regularly. It also tells what other article/ information would be available in the future. The FOCUS program will soon be available in Bangladesh, Indonesia and Philippines.

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GLOBAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH FORUM

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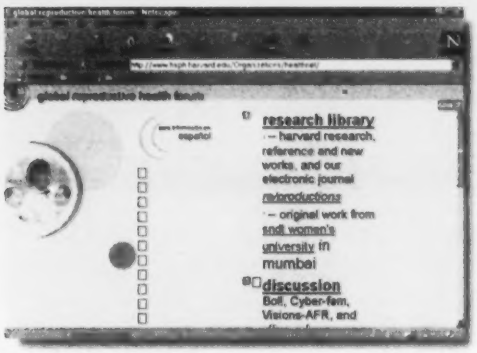
global reproductive health forum
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reproductions
-- original work from sndt women's university in mumbai
discussion
BoII, Cyber-fem, Visions-AFR, and

This site is rich in information on all aspects of adolescent reproductive health and numerous links to other related websites. This website has been set up to serve as clearinghouse. It is aimed at encouraging the generation of critical, democratic discussions about reproductive health and gender on the net. The project provides interactive electronic forums through which it hopes to encourage the participation of underserved groups. One of its major sections is the teenzone that links the users to hundreds of websites in the areas of teen abortion, contraception, HIV/AIDS, rights, STDs and teen life. These topics provide comprehensive and substantive information ranging from overview of adolescent reproductive health, teenage pregnancy and sexuality, choosing a method for adolescents to resources for teenagers to talk confidentially with trained counselors and those with special counseling needs.

Information on this site is available in English, French and Spanish.

HRP ON LINE

UNDP/UNFPA/WHO/World Bank Special Programme of Research, Development and Research Training Human Reproduction

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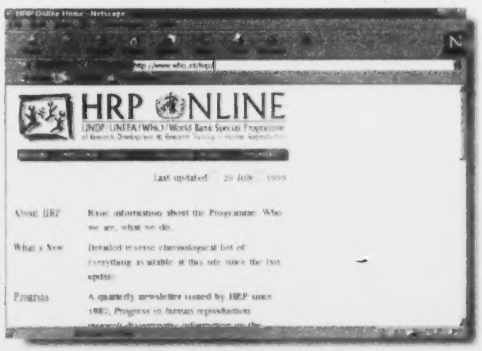

This is a World Health Organization (WHO) site that contains information from a variety of projects undertaken by the organization itself or in partnership with other agencies. Information on adolescent reproductive health is available in the following sections:

- *Progress* in Human Reproduction Research is a quarterly newsletter published by HRP and all the issues are available on-line. A quick search will reveal that *Progress* numbers 41 deals with sexual behaviour of young people: data from recent studies undertaken in Korea, Nigeria, Philippines, Thailand and Viet Nam; number 42 deals with WHO's work in reproductive health: the role of the Special Programme; and number 47 deals with adolescent reproductive health. They all contain articles specifically related to adolescent reproductive health. The 1999 issues are not currently on-line.

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Another two sources of information on this site are:

- The listing of World Health Organization Publications 1991-1998 on Adolescent Health. The five items currently available includes training guides and research publications found on this address **(http://www.who.int/dsa/cat98/adol18.htm)** and it contains materials on the following topics;
  - Counseling Skills Training in Adolescent Sexuality and Reproductive Health,
  - The Health of Young People,
  - The Health of Youth,
  - The Narrative Research Method: Studying Behaviour Patterns of Young People-by Young People,
  - A Picture of Health
- The WHO Fact Sheet N° 186 available at **(http://www.who.int/inf-fs/en/fact186.html)** provides information and statistics on Young People and Sexually Transmitted Diseases in a very concise format.

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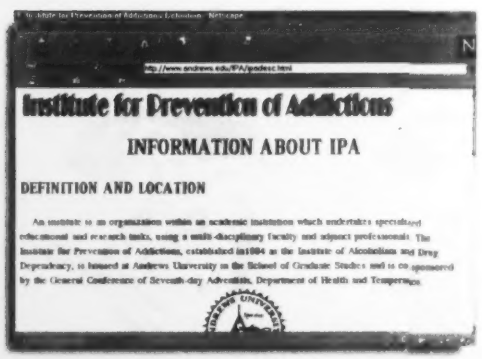

This site contains information on adolescent health that is intended for education purposes. A large variety of ready-to-use adolescent health presentations ranging from abuse, divorce, growth and development, nutrition, nutrition in pregnancy, pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases and violence are available. These presentations can be easily downloaded free from the site.

Although the information on the site is limited, it does give a reasonably good overview of how IPA is able to reach the adolescents and works directly with them through its youth projects. It also provides an insight into how the church, state and community efforts can be coordinated to achieve a common goal. Due to the limited information available, this site can only be recommended for health care trainers.

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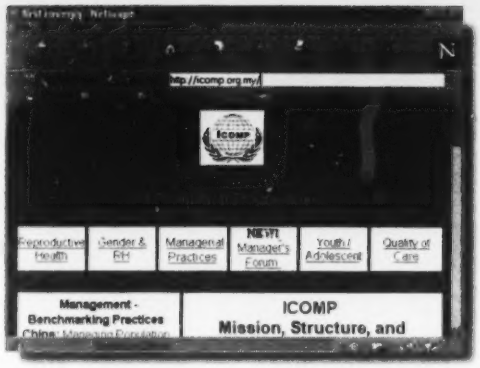

This ICOMP site provides very informative details about projects and activities undertaken to improve adolescent reproductive health worldwide. Specifically, it contains detailed case studies of Youth Reproductive Health projects in Ethiopia, Ecuador, Mauritius and Uganda. These case studies are extremely well written and go into great detail to explain the objective of each project, the strategies used to implement the project and the outcome of each project. In some cases, details of costs incurred for the entire project is given as well.

Also available on-line are details of projects undertaken or planned for the Asia region and are as follows:

- Sri Lanka, reproductive and sexual health education,
- Thailand, AIDS prevention through health education and non-formal counseling – reaching the youth working factories in Thailand,
- India, making sexual and reproductive health – a youth affair,
- Malaysia, the Youth Advisory Centre,
- Other experiences include activities undertaken in collaboration with other NGO's in Bangladesh, China, Philippines, Indonesia and Viet Nam.

Although it is not possible to write about each of these projects in this review, they all are very insightful and informative especially because in the Asian Region sexual health is not an easy topic to discuss. This site is recommended for any person interested in adolescent reproductive health projects in the Asian Region and the innovative approaches that can be used to reach the young adults.

INTERNATIONAL PLANNED PARENTHOOD FEDERATION (IPPF)

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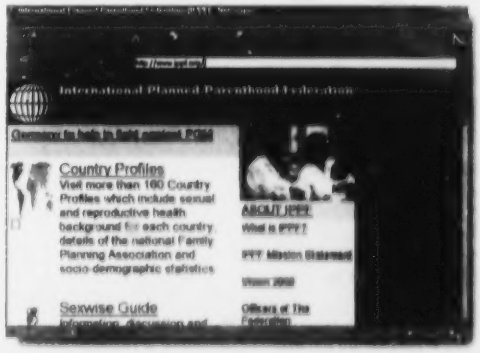
International Planned Parenthood Federation
Country Profiles
Visit more than 160 Country Profiles which include sexual and reproductive health background for each country, details of the national Family Planning Association and socio-demographic statistics
Sexwise Guide

IPPF is a voluntary organization concerned with family planning and reproductive health. This site is a mine of information for a variety of users. It has weekly international news highlights in the field of sexual and reproductive health including family planning, on-line journals, bibliographies and resource lists, courses, information from other regions of the world, web links and a youth discussion forum on-line.

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This site includes, among others, the following:

- *Real Lives*, a journal published regularly that informs about activities and projects undertaken by the IPPF South Asia Region. It is now available on-line and the news includes stimulating discussions on cultural attitudes towards adolescent reproductive health issues, role of mass media in the education programmes and sometimes country statistics,
- *Choices*, a journal based on the IPPF European Network. This is also published regularly with news about "Sexual Health and Family Planning in Europe". The most recent issue Vol. 27 has information on the UNFPA Youth Initiatives in Europe and the challenges it faces plus articles on other developments underway in Europe,
- *Resources*, is a list of bibliographies, publications and video productions, other technical reports and leaflets, and courses that are available from IPPF related to a wide range of reproductive health material,
- This site also provides links to IPPF affiliates, other organizations and donor agencies,
- It is about to launch *X-Press*, a newsletter for young people on the activities undertaken in the area of sex and reproductive health.

It must be noted that this site contains information under regional groupings such as Africa, Arab region, East and South East Asia and Oceania, European Network, South Asia and Western Hemisphere and that the items listed above can be accessed through regional search as well. Under each of the regional site, descriptions of family planning programmes in each country are presented.

Since this site is meant for a wide variety of users from researchers, educators to youth the information on reproductive health and its section meant for adolescents are found in a section called Mezzo. This site is updated regularly, therefore the most recent news from the member countries is available.

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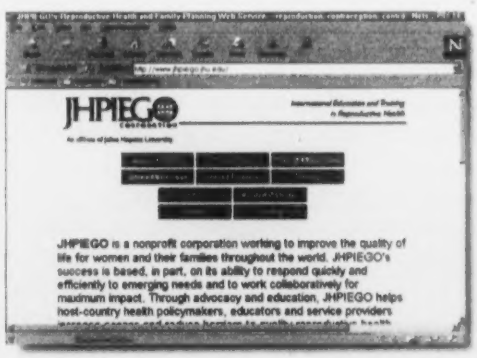
JHPIEGO
JHPIEGO is a nonprofit corporation working to improve the quality of life for women and their families throughout the world. JHPIEGO's success is based, in part, on its ability to respond quickly and efficiently to emerging needs and to work collaboratively for maximum impact. Through advocacy and education, JHPIEGO helps host-country health policymakers, educators and service providers

JHPIEGO, John Hopkins University Programs for International Education in Reproductive Health, is a non-profit corporation working to improve the quality of life for women and their children throughout the world. JHPIEGO's aims are to improve access to and quality of reproductive health services. It provides training to health professionals to improve competency and effectiveness of the services they provide to the youth.

Also available but very difficult to access is information on the adolescent reproductive health projects undertaken in Brazil and Mali. The projects are briefly outlined but since they were undertaken in 1995/96 there is no recent information on them.

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Also at this site information can be found on:

- training needs assessment studies in Ghana, Kenya and Nepal where the reproductive health care and the care-givers are both evaluated and recommendations are made for improvements,
- international resource material available,
- reports on national policy and service guidelines,
- inservice training needs assessments,
- preservice training needs assessments in Kenya, Philippines and Zimbabwe,
- service and clinical training sites/service delivery points – technical reports on Indonesia and Peru.

Under its publications, JHPIEGO has included training kits that can be used to conduct competency-based training. These kits can be ordered and come with 'how to use' guides. In addition to this, technical reports on research undertaken are also available.

This site is a resource tool for those who train health care personnel in the areas of reproductive health care as it contains case studies and 'ready made' training kits. JHPIEGO also publishes a monthly newsletter called *TrainerNews* and is available over the internet, which contains up-to-date information for trainers on reproductive health.

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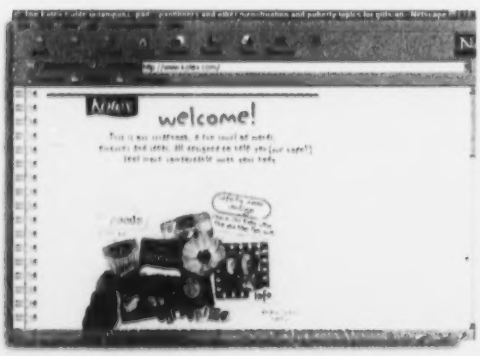

This site belongs to the Kimberly Clark Corporation, a company that manufactures and retails sanitary products. It is created for young girls to increase their knowledge on menstruation and provides a question and answer section on entire cycle of menstruation and from pregnancy to menopause. The language and presentation is very youthful and would clearly appeal to the younger users. It also contains a *Girl thing* section where the users are encouraged to express their opinions, learn about their body or take a quiz. It is a very gentle initiation to changes that a girl will experience during puberty and is the first step in the reproduction cycle.

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MEDLINE

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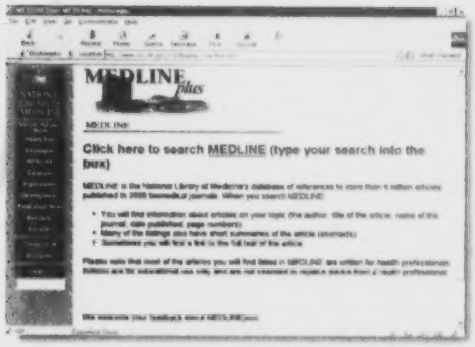

MEDLINE is the world's most comprehensive source of biomedical information. It contains almost eight million records from over 7,300 different publications from 1965 to present. A literature search on adolescent reproductive health turned out some 1,000 titles derived from various journals and publications. Most of the articles deal with biomedical and health aspects of adolescent pregnancy but a number also describe programme interventions to address adolescent reproductive health, pregnancy prevention and sexuality.

MEZZO

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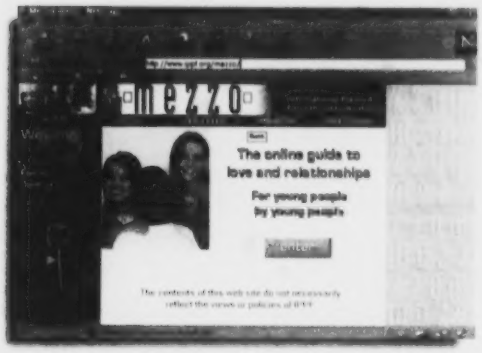

Mezzo is a youth service site where issues about friendship, sexuality, contraception, and sexual and reproductive health can be discussed by the youth on-line. Since it is managed by the youth, this site provides information and guidance on very "real" subjects. An example is the safe sex section where information on contraceptives is available and if the youth have any questions they need answers on, they have access to an on-line consultation on the "Dear Pramilla" section.

Also available is information for health professional who serve young adults on how to treat issues related to these patients. Predominantly, this site is meant for adolescents.

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NATIONAL NETWORK FOR YOUTH

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The National Network for youth is dedicated to ensuring that young people can be safe and lead healthy and productive lives. This site provides information on activities related to youth health promotion and development undertaken by NN4Y such as the Adolescent HIV Prevention programme in 1998 and the Safe Choices Project in 1999.

Although very limited information on reproductive health is available on this site, it does however give insight to innovative programmes undertaken in the United States that people involved in youth serving organizations can access.

THE NATIONAL WOMEN'S HEALTH INFORMATION CENTER (NWHIC)

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Fax: (202) 690-7172
Email: 4woman@soza.com
Internet: http://www.4woman.org

This site serves as a source of information for women's health issues. It contains a section on adolescent health, which provides a very brief list of facts about adolescent health risk factors such as sexually transmitted diseases and teen pregnancy. Recommendations for other sources of information within United States are also available but only a few have contact addresses. This site can only be used as a general knowledge reference on health issues.

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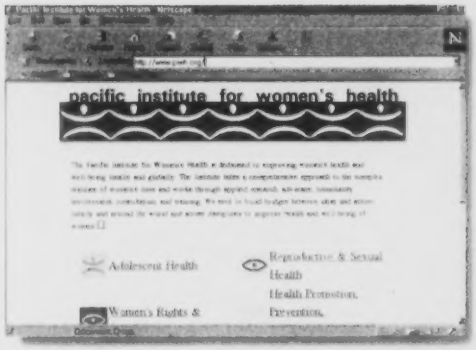

The Pacific Institute for Women's Health is dedicated to improving women's health and well-being locally and globally. Its website mainly focuses on adolescent health and also includes sections dealing with women's rights and empowerment, reproductive and sexual health, health promotion and access to better health services. The section on adolescent health consists of local and international information. The local section describes the projects dealing with advocacy initiatives aimed at overcoming barriers so that adolescent reproductive health and a school-based intervention addressing adolescent health programmes in the school curriculum can be implemented.

The international section describes the following:

- projects involving communities, youth and youth-serving organizations to address adolescent health; identifying problems and developing innovative, research-based, community-generated responses and solutions;
- investigation of linkages between adolescent sexuality and health and test interventions to improve access to information and services;
- in-depth pre-intervention participatory research concerning adolescent reproductive health needs in selected African countries.

A third section brings together the experiences of Mexican and U.S. researchers and service providers to exchange ideas and share promising practices and models in adolescent reproductive health and to explore partnerships between organizations as well as policy, research and practice.

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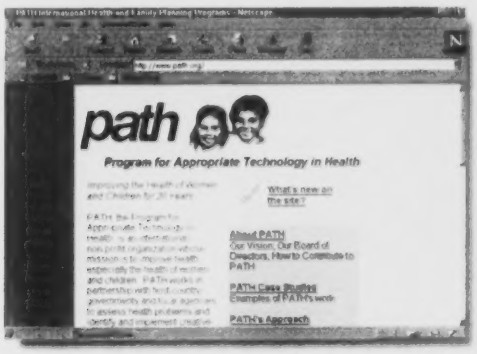
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Our Vision, Our Board of Directors, How to Contribute to PATH
PATH Case Studies
Examples of PATH's work
PATH's Approach

PATH is an international non-profit organization dedicated to improving the health of women and children, and preventing and controlling communicable diseases by working in partnership with host country government and NGO's. This site also contains information on the reproductive health programmes for youth undertaken by PATH, which include:

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- *Drunken With Love*, a series of interactive stories focusing on reproductive health topics used to educate youth in Indonesia,
- *Plain Talk*, a project undertaken in the United States to teach low-literate youth about HIV, AIDS and STDs through working with local agencies that directly serve these young people,
- *Scouting in Kenya*, is a project undertaken in the Machakos district in Kenya trying to reach out-of-school youth with information about reproductive health.

The information on this site will be useful for people who work with youth-serving organization as it provides innovative and interactive methods of reaching and working with the youth and at the same time revealing details of projects undertaken around the world. Lessons learned highlighted in these sections can provide inspiration for others to replicate or adapt.

POPIN: UNITED NATIONS POPULATION INFORMATION NETWORK

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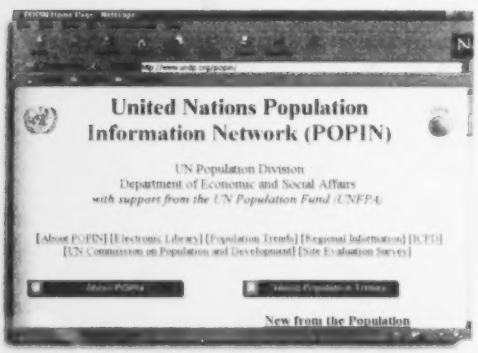
United Nations Population Information Network (POPIN)
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Founded by the United Nations in 1979, POPIN objectives are to collect, coordinate and disseminate population-related information at international, regional and national levels. This site contains information on World Population Trends, Regional Population Information and Networks, and information on the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD+5) as well as reports of the latest session of the UN Commission on Population and Development.

This site is considered mother of all websites on population and development and reproductive health. It links to a growing number of sites everyday. This site started primarily as website dedicated to population related information, thus, adolescent reproductive health-related items are not easy to find unless one looks into the Regional Population Information and Networking section, or the electronic information section. But through the years, sites on reproductive health including adolescent reproductive health started to grow. Most of the websites included in this review form part and parcel of the POPIN site.

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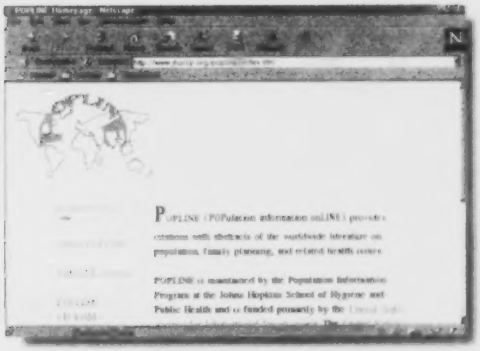

The largest database on adolescent reproductive health, it contains around 7,000 titles dealing with adolescents, adolescent pregnancy, reproductive health, and sexuality and sex education. Materials come from a wide variety of sources – from international and UN organizations, national institutions and NGOs, voluntary organizations, academic and research institutions from all over the world. They are also retrieved from periodicals and journals all over the world. The database cover the most comprehensive topics on adolescent reproductive health which includes: policies and laws, programmes, projects and strategies/ approaches, KAP surveys, research and evaluation, training programmes and materials, adolescent sexuality and sex education programmes, adolescent pregnancy and fertility, abortion, STDs, and HIV/AIDS, and medical and gynecological aspects.

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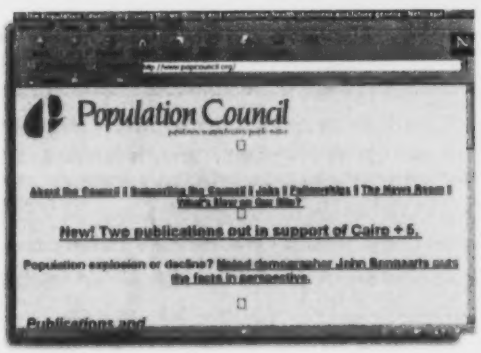

This site contains an impressive list of publications that includes books, journals, booklets, newsletters and working papers that are related to research and projects undertaken in the areas of family planning, reproductive health, population trends, fertility studies and adolescent health. The attractiveness about the publications on this site is that it gives an insight into some pioneering activities undertaken in developing and underdeveloped countries.

Also available is a new book, *Learning About Sexuality: A Practical Beginning*, which is a collection of essays by social and biomedical scientists, family planning and reproductive health providers and health activists from over twelve countries. Some interesting books and working papers are:

- The uncharted passage: girls' adolescence in the developing world (Book by Mensch et al. 1998)

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- The changing social environment for adolescents in Kassena-Nankana District of northern Ghana: implications for reproductive behavior (Working Paper by Mensch et al.)
- The fortunes of adolescent mothers and their children: a case study on the transmission of poverty in Santiago, Chile (Working Paper by Buvinic et al.)
- The effects of early childbearing on women's status in Barbados (Working Paper by Russel-Brown et al.)

This site is useful to researchers and educators as it gives an insight into research projects undertaken across the world.

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POPULATION REFERENCE BUREAU
Reproductive Health
Fertility Family Planning
Contraceptive Safety:
Rumors and Realities
This booklet, originally published in 1988, has been updated to include information from the latest studies on the risks and benefits of contraceptive methods currently
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The Population Reference Bureau (PRB) is primarily a population database. Information on reproductive health on this site ranges from general trends to specific country based research, therefore, this site will appeal to a variety of users.

Specific information on Adolescent Reproductive Health (ARH) can be found on-line in the monthly publication *Population Today*. The material on reproductive health is abundant but adolescent reproductive health has just started to be mentioned. The latest issue available is the April 1999 issue. The interesting fact about this journal is that it does not only contains articles on current issue but predicts trends and how it will impact the future. For example the May 1998 issue talks about *Record number of youth approaching childbearing years.*

This site also contains a publication list and information in the form of wallcharts and posters. Some that are specifically youth oriented includes the wallchart on The World's Youth 1996 that compares 13 demographic indicators on youth around the world and discusses issues such as adolescent sexuality and pregnancy, and family planning. Under the publications list, one will find reports of projects and research undertaken by the organization although topics directly related to adolescent reproductive health is limited. It also runs a section on educational materials which can be used for teaching on sexuality education and population education.

The publications, wallcharts and posters can be ordered on-line. The site is regularly updated and very pleasant to use because the information is clearly presented and easy to access.

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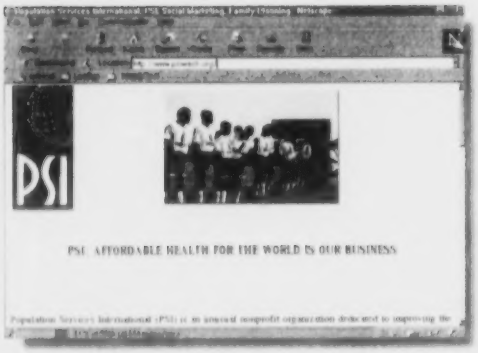

This site contains information on projects undertaken by PSI to prevent young adults from contacting AIDS/HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases. It has undertaken peer marketing in Botswana and in India to educate the young adults on the threats they face. Detailed information on how these projects are implemented is available on the site.

Also available is information on a two year long pilot project undertaken in Portland, Oregon USA where the aim to reduce high risk reduction programmes in HIV/AIDS and teen pregnancy prevention was put into action through TV ads, introduction of condom-vending machines and the use of popular media.

This site is recommended to those seeking information on innovative activities undertaken to educate the youth on their reproductive health.

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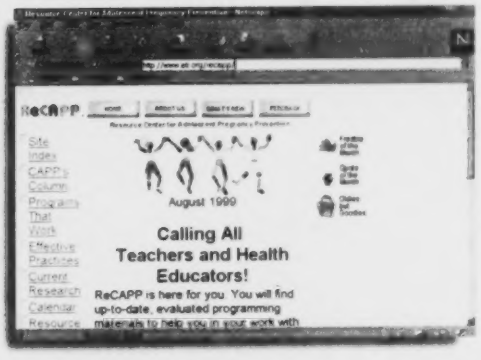

At this site one will find adolescent pregnancy prevention statistics based on the United States data. It also provides links to other sites that provide statistical information on teenage pregnancies. The interesting section is the 'Programs That Work' where the projects undertaken with the youth to reduce their sexual risk taking behaviour are described.

Also available is current research in the area of adolescent pregnancy prevention and journal articles related to the topic. Although this site is focused on just one of the many issues of adolescent reproductive health, it is nevertheless rich in information on experiences and lessons learned from the innovative projects undertaken to address adolescent pregnancy.

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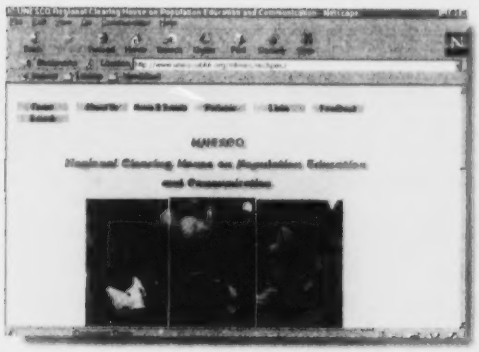

This site contains an on-line database that focus on adolescent reproductive and sexual health bibliographic information. A section on search of the month features bibliographic searches on both adolescent reproductive health and reproductive health in general. It also provides full text information of the first two issues of the adolescence education newsletter as well as other repackaged materials dealing with the topic.

REPROLINE: REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH ONLINE

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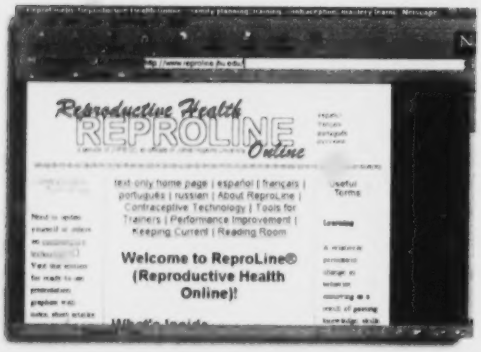

In early 1999, JHPIEGO launched a revised version of ReproLine, its reproductive health online website. The contents have been expanded to include tools, information and communication forums for trainers enabling them to conduct training and provide family planning services more effectively. Although this site does not contain material on adolescent reproductive health it does however contain information that will be useful for those working in youth serving organizations. In summary it provides the following:

- ready-to-use course and workshop materials,
- training tips,
- full text reproductive health reference materials,
- updates on contraceptive advances,
- articles in reproductive health training, access to a discussion group via electronic mail, and electronic newsletters.

Work is underway to provide ReproLine in Spanish, French, Portuguese and Russian languages.

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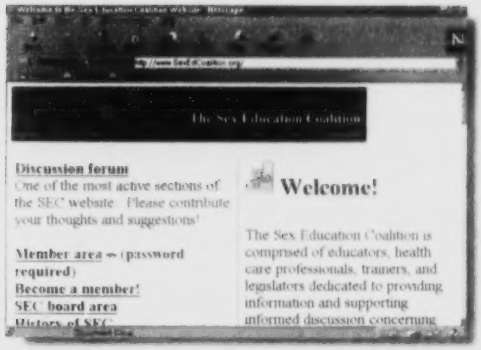
Discussion forum
One of the most active sections of the SEC website. Please contribute your thoughts and suggestions!
Member area – (password required)
Become a member!
SEC board area
Welcome!
The Sex Education Coalition is comprised of educators, health care professionals, trainers, and legislators dedicated to providing information and supporting informed discussion concerning

This website is meant for educators, health care professionals, trainers and legislators dedicated to providing information and supporting informed discussion concerning sexuality and education. This site offers educational materials to sexuality and family life educators, provides a forum for discussion (between clinicians, legislators, parents and youth), and also provides up-to-date information from CVDC and the NIH and to present a variety of materials and resources to the general community concerning sexuality education. The site has a Discussion Forum as well as a section rich in resources such as publications and pamphlets, posters, videos and books. Reports and surveys are also received from students and researchers who are encouraged to post them to the Discussion Forum site.

SEXOLOGY NETLINE

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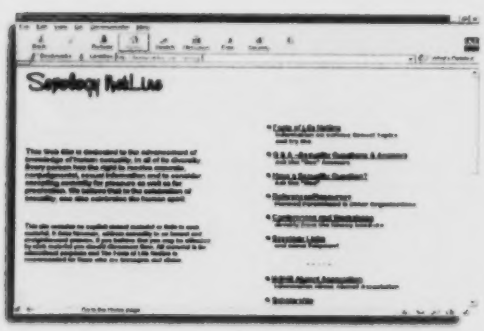

This site contains three important sources of information for adolescents on-line. These are:

- *Facts of Life Netline* where information on various topics related to sexuality, sexually transmitted infections, birth controls, pregnancy, abortion, miscellaneous issues is available.
- *Q&A Sexuality* where answers to frequently asked questions are available.
- *Have a Sexuality Question?* Here anyone can request information or on-line assistance from a doctor.

The information on this site is very easy to find, read and understand. It has a youth appeal in the type of language used and can nevertheless be used by everyone. It also provides links to similar sites, has some reference materials and information on conferences and workshops.

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SIECUS: SEXUALITY INFORMATION AND EDUCATION COUNCIL OF THE UNITED STATES

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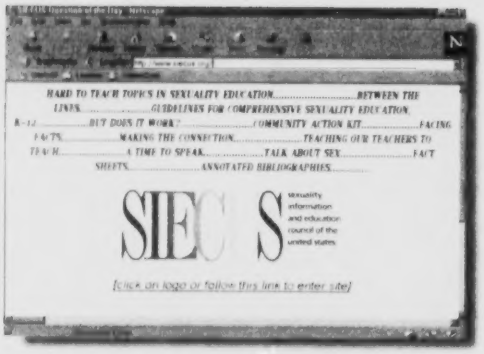
HARD TO TEACH TOPICS IN SEXUALITY EDUCATION
BETWEEN THE LINES
GUIDELINES FOR COMPREHENSIVE SEXUALITY EDUCATION
K-12
BUT DOES IT WORK?
COMMUNITY ACTION KIT
FACING FACTS
MAKING THE CONNECTION
TEACHING OUR TEACHERS TO TEACH
A TIME TO SPEAK
TALK ABOUT SEX
FACT SHEETS
ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHIES
SIECUS
sexuality information and education council of the united states
[click on logo or follow this link to enter site]

SIECUS is a non-profit organization which promotes education about sexuality and also advocates individual rights in sexual choices. At this site one can read about the activities currently underway.

The site offers the following:

- Information on its *international projects,* focusing in detail the Adolescent Fertility project in Nigeria, among others.
- It also has on-line publication, *About Growing Up,* in which it has published various adolescent health issues in Africa. Specifically the June 1996 and December 1996 issues contain a few articles on studies and project in Africa. The latest update is the December 1996 articles and if there have been subsequent publications, then they are not available on-line.
- *SHOP Talk (School Health Opportunities and Programmes)* is a bi-weekly publication available on the internet. The most recent issue is the May 1999 Volume 4 Issue 5. On its own, this newsletter is a haven of information on health issues, sex education and school based projects on adolescent reproductive health education.
- *For Parents* section contains information for parents on how to deal with the various health issues their children face. Certain articles are also made available for parents to read and equip themselves with answers to their teenage children's questions on sex, reproductive health and the changes their bodies go through.
- There is a facility on-line through which orders for publications can be made.

This is an ideal site for parent, teachers and school-based health programme groups.

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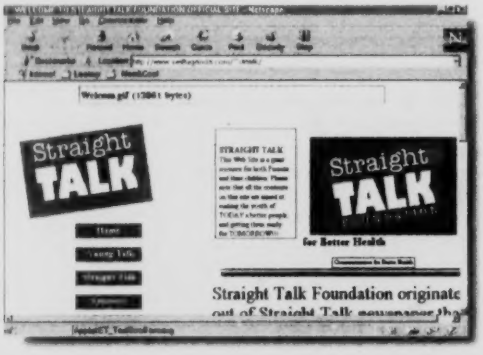

This website was developed by the Straight Talk Foundation to increase understanding of adolescence, sexuality and reproductive health and to promote the adoption of safer sex practices. It is also aimed at helping adolescents acquire the necessary life skills and grasp of child and human rights to make the passage through adolescence safely. The site has two interesting sections among many.

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The first one features its monthly publication called **Young Talk**. Its target audience is upper primary school pupils, young adolescents aged 1-12. The main messages in this publication include changes at puberty, a child's rights and responsibilities, general body health and hygiene. Because of the tender age of the audience, there are no sex or condom messages in this publication. It is meant to be used also as a teaching tool in the classroom by the primary school teachers.

The second site is titled, **Straight Talk**: Keeping Adolescents Safe, which features another monthly publication, intended for secondary school students aged 13-19. The major contents deal with puberty, relationships, sex, life skills, education, HIV/STDs, condoms and contraception. It also has a counseling page where a group of dedicated friendly counselors and doctors give pieces of advice to readers. Because of its popularity in schools, Straight Talk Clubs have been formed in many secondary schools.

TEENWIRE

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This website serves as haven of information on all issues and concerns faced by the adolescents' everyday life. In its Warehouse section it contains information on sex, birth control, infections and diseases, pregnancy and abortion which are presented in a manner that will be easy for teenagers to understand as they are in the form of articles, quizzes, charts and stories. In addition to this, the teens with problems and questions can also go to the section "Dear Deb" who answers real questions from the teenagers and this information is also archived on-line for users. These are supplemented with a section that provides global perspectives on sex, dates, love and life. Regularly, information topics such as the male anatomy, pregnancy tests and facts on pills, etc. are also included.

This site also boasts a profile of teens that are standing up, speaking out and taking action with regard to their reproductive and sexual health. Finally to make the site more interactive, a section exists in which the teenagers can submit their own work on various topics for viewing by others. The design, language and presentation of the website are highly suitable and relevant to teenagers.

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TRENDS IN ADOLESCENT PREGNANCY AND CHILDBEARING

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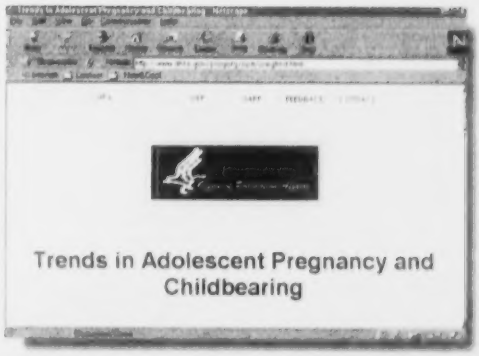

This site contains information on initiatives undertaken in the United States by the Adolescent Family Life, a government programme, to serve pregnant adolescents, adolescent parents, their infants, male partners and their families. There are some information on sexuality and pregnancy, and childbearing but these statistics used are dated to early 1990's therefore quite out-dated. Overall this site has very limited information because although it boasts to have undertaken a large amount of projects very little information is available on-line.

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The largest multilateral source of population assistance, UNFPA helps countries improve reproductive health and universal family planning services on the basis of individual and informed choice. Reproductive health promotion is one of its core programme areas and adolescent reproductive health forms part and parcel of its reproductive health programme. This site contains articles, policy papers, publications and news releases dealing with adolescent reproductive health, adolescents, adolescent sexuality, girl child, gender equity and population education.

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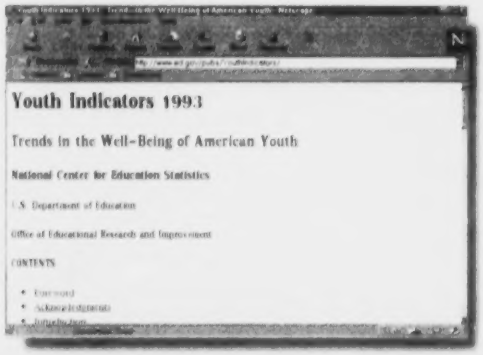
Youth Indicators 1993
Trends in the Well-Being of American Youth
National Center for Education Statistics
U.S. Department of Education
Office of Educational Research and Improvement
CONTENTS

This is the site of the National Center for Education Statistics and contains a variety of youth indicators on United States. It provides information on demographics and family composition and health that could be useful for researchers and policy makers as background statistics. Specifically, statistics is available on pregnancy, abortion and births, school health offerings, and AIDS knowledge and attitudes and the data are as recent as the early 1990's. This site is recommended as statistical data source for anyone seeking this type of information on adolescents.

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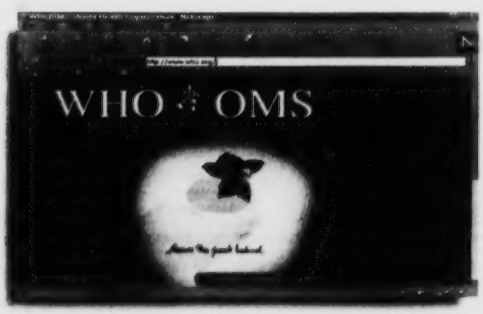

The World Health Organization carries out worldwide programmes and activities on adolescent reproductive health and has extensive experience and information which have resulted from this work. Adolescent reproductive health materials can be accessed through their "Library Catalogue" online through the Internet. In addition to the materials that have been produced by WHO, its country programmes have generated numerous materials which can be accessed through its national counterparts and through this site. They include training materials for developing counseling skills in adolescent sexuality; materials that suggest policies, legislation and programmes to promote adolescent health; a compendium of projects and programmes dealing with different approaches to adolescent health development; research guides and methods for studying behaviour patterns of young people; policy and strategy papers and reports of workshops and meetings on various aspects of adolescent reproductive health.

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